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45th Annual Report

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Northwest Territories Canada

Honourable Joseph L. Handley
Minister of Finance
Yellowknife, NT

Dear Mr. Handley

Pursuant to Sections 9(1) and 61 of the Liquor Act, I am pleased to submit the forty-fifth Annual Report for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1999.

We wish to express our thanks to all our staff and the members of the Liquor Licensing Board for all their support and contribution to the progress of the NWT Liquor Commission and the NWT Liquor Licensing Board during the past year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret Melhorn
Deputy Minister
Finance

RJ Courtoreille
General Manager
NWT Liquor Commission

Eric Malmsten
Chairperson
NWT Liquor Licensing Board

Members of the Legislative Assembly
of the Northwest Territories
Yellowknife, NT

Dear Colleagues:

I am pleased to present herewith, for the information of the Members of the Legislative Assembly, the forty-fifth Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Liquor Commission and Liquor Licensing Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1999.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph L. Handley
Minister Responsible for the
Northwest Territories Liquor Commission

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EXECUTIVE ORGANIZATION

As at March 31, 1999

Minister Responsible

Minister	- The Honourable Charles Dent
Deputy Minister	- Margaret Melhorn

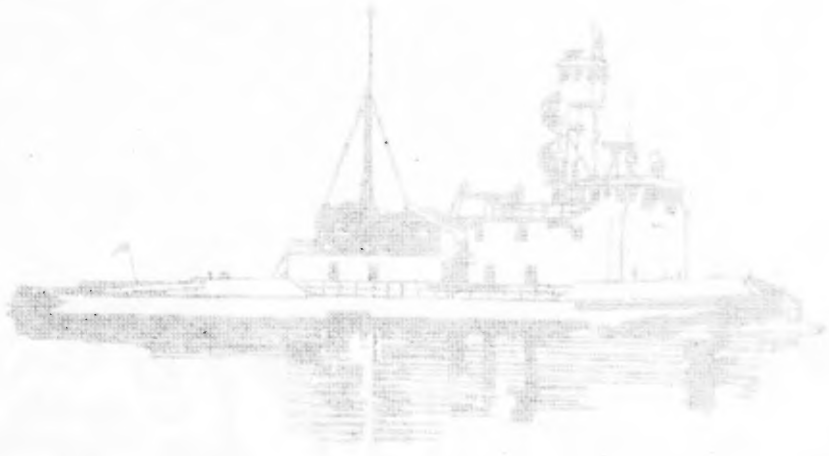
Northwest Territories Liquor Commission

General Manager	- Ron Courtoreille
Manager, Finance and Administration	- Annette Brockway
Stocks Manager	- Larry Kathan

Northwest Territories Liquor Licensing Board

Chairperson	- Eric Malmsten
Manager, Licensing and Enforcement	- Delilah St. Arneault

Audited Financial Statements



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MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

The Northwest Territories Liquor Commission ("the Commission") maintains internal financial and management systems and practices which are designed to provide reasonable assurance that reliable financial and non-financial information is available on a timely basis and that the Commission acts in accordance with the laws of the Northwest Territories and Canada. The Commission's management recognizes its responsibility for conducting the Commission's affairs in accordance with the requirements of applicable laws and sound business principles, and for maintaining standards of conduct that are appropriate to a Territorial agency.

The accompanying financial statements were prepared by management in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles appropriate in the circumstances.

The Auditor General of Canada annually provides an independent, objective audit for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements. He also considers whether the transactions which come to his notice in the course of this audit are, in all significant respects, in accordance with the specified legislation.

R.J. Courtoreille
General Manager

A. Brockway
Manager, Finance and Administration

June 9, 1999

AUDITOR GENERAL OF CANADA

VÉRIFICATEUR GÉNÉRAL DU CANADA

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Minister of Finance

I have audited the balance sheet of the Northwest Territories Liquor Commission as at March 31, 1999 and the statements of income, amount due to the Government of the Northwest Territories and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Commission's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Commission as at March 31, 1999 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. As required by the *Financial Administration Act*, I report that, in my opinion, these principles have been applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Further, in my opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Commission and the financial statements are in agreement therewith and the transactions of the Commission that have come to my notice during my audit of the financial statements have, in all significant respects, been in accordance with the Part IX of the *Financial Administration Act* and regulations, and the *Northwest Territories Liquor Act* and regulations.

Donald M. Young, FCA
Assistant Auditor General
for the Auditor General of Canada

Ottawa, Canada
June 9, 1999

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LIQUOR COMMISSION

Balance Sheet

March 31, 1999, with comparative figures for 1998

	1999 ($000's)	1998 ($000's)
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	$ 1,523	$ 513
Accounts receivable	4	21
Inventories (note 3)	2,916	2,868
Prepaid expenses	15	17
	4,458	3,419
Capital assets (note 4)	310	413
	$ 4,768	$ 3,832
Liabilities		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	$ 2,205	$ 1,522
Accrued employee leave and termination benefits	109	133
Due to the Government of the Northwest Territories	2,454	2,177
Commitment (note 6)		
Subsequent event (note 9)		
	$ 4,768	$ 3,832

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Approved by Management:

R. Courtoreille
General Manager

A. Brockway
Manager, Finance and Administration

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LIQUOR COMMISSION

Statement of Income

Year ended March 31, 1999, with comparative figures for 1998

	1999 ($000's)	1998 ($000's)
Sales:		
Beer	$ 15,509	$ 15,306
Spirits	13,166	12,664
Wine	2,942	2,736
	31,617	30,706
Cost of goods sold:		
Beer	6,397	6,336
Spirits	4,077	3,809
Wine	1,286	1,118
	11,760	11,263
Gross profit on sales	19,857	19,443
Other income:		
License fees and permits	604	618
Import fees and other income	116	283
	720	901
	20,577	20,344
Expenses:		
Commissions to agents	2,758	2,351
Salaries, wages and employee benefits	839	870
Rent	152	336
Computer services	114	64
Amortization of capital assets	111	110
Travel	98	101
Office supplies	57	60
Communications	49	42
Inspectors' fees	40	39
Miscellaneous	28	9
Utilities	25	29
Board member honoraria	25	20
Losses due to breakage, spoilage and theft	21	10
Insurance	18	19
Advertising	16	20
Repairs and maintenance	7	10
Grants in lieu of taxes	6	39
	4,364	4,129
Net income	$ 16,213	$ 15,215

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES
LIQUOR COMMISSION

Statement of Amount Due to the Government of the Northwest Territories

Year ended March 31, 1999, with comparative figures for 1998

	1999 ($000's)	1998 ($000's)
Balance, beginning of year	$ 2,177	$ 1,951
Net income	16,213	16,215
Salaries, wages and benefits paid by the Government	839	926
	19,229	19,092
Net transfer of funds to the Government	16,775	16,915
Balance, end of year	$ 2,454	$ 2,177

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LIQUOR COMMISSION

Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended March 31, 1999, with comparative figures 1998

	1999	1998
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from customers	$ 32,424	$ 31,619
Cash paid to suppliers	(14,631)	(14,370)
Net cash provided by operating activities	17,793	17,249
Cash flows from financing and investing activities:		
Purchase of capital assets	(8)	(408)
Cash transferred to the Government of the Northwest Territories	(16,775)	(16,915)
Net cash used in financing and investing activities	(16,783)	(17,323)
Increase (decrease) in cash	1,010	(74)
Cash, beginning of year	513	587
Cash, end of year	$ 1,523	$ 513

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LIQUOR COMMISSION

Notes to Financial Statements

Year ended March 31, 1999

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1. Authority and operations:

The Northwest Territories Liquor Commission is responsible for the operation of liquor stores and the purchase and distribution of liquor in the Northwest Territories under Part II of the Northwest Territories Liquor Act. It is named in Schedule A to the Financial Administration Act. The Commission is authorized by the Legislative Assembly to receive interest free working capital advances from time to time not exceeding $6,500,000 to finance its operations.

Net income for the year is to be transferred to the Government of the Northwest Territories in accordance with the Liquor Act.

These financial statements include the operations of the Liquor Licensing Board of the Northwest Territories.

The Commission is non-taxable under the Income Tax Act, Canada.

On April 1, 1999, subsequent to the fiscal year end, the Nunavut Act came into force. As a result, all operations in Nunavut will be taken over by the Government of Nunavut. Notwithstanding this significant change in future operations, these financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. It is not practical to determine the potential impact on future operations of the two Governments, including the Commission. Note 9 provides further information about this subsequent event.

2. Significant accounting policies:

(a) Inventories:

Inventories are valued at replacement cost which is not materially different than cost. Cost includes invoiced cost, freight, duties and taxes.

(b) Capital assets:

Recycling equipment is stated at cost. Amortization is provided on cost less estimated salvage value on the straight-line basis at an annual rate of 10%.

Leasehold improvements are stated at cost. Amortization is provided on the straight-line basis at an annual rate of 20%.

Furniture and fixtures are stated at cost. Amortization is provided on cost less estimated salvage value on the straight-line basis at an annual rate of 20%.

Computer equipment represents hardware and software and is stated at cost. Amortization is provided on the straight-line basis at an annual rate of 20%.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LIQUOR COMMISSION

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

Year ended March 31, 1999

2. Significant accounting policies, continued:

(c) Employee leave and termination benefits:

Under their conditions of employment, employees qualify for annual leave of varying lengths depending on their length of service. Employees also earn retirement and severance remuneration based on the number of years of service. Annual leave is payable within one fiscal year. The payment of the other amounts is dependent on employees leaving the Commission. The liability for these benefits is recorded in the accounts as the benefits accrue to the employees.

(d) Pension contributions:

The Commission and its employees, who are deemed to be employees of the Government of the Northwest Territories, make contributions to the Public Service Superannuation Plan administered by the Government of Canada. Contributions to the Plan are required from both the employees and the Commission. These contributions represent the total pension obligation of the Commission and are recognized in the accounts on a current basis. The Commission is not required under present legislation to make contributions with respect to actuarial deficiencies of the Public Service Superannuation Account.

3. Inventories:

	1999 ($000's)	1998 ($000's)
Spirits	$ 1,595	$ 1,402
Wine	510	496
Beer	811	970
	$ 2,916	$ 2,868

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LIQUOR COMMISSION

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

Year ended March 31, 1999

4. Capital assets:

	Cost ($000's)	Accumulated amortization ($000's)	1999 Net book value ($000's)	1998 Net book value ($000's)
Computer equipment	$ 415	$ 165	$ 250	$ 326
Recycling equipment	150	108	42	55
Leasehold improvements	39	30	9	16
Furniture and fixtures	30	21	9	16
	$ 634	$ 324	$ 310	$ 413

5. Related party transactions:

The Commission is related in terms of common ownership to all Government of the Northwest Territories created departments, agencies and corporations. The Commission enters into transactions with these entities in the normal course of business.

Certain warehouses are owned by the Government of the Northwest Territories. These are provided for the use of the Commission, the cost of which is reflected as a portion of rent in the financial statements.

	1999 ($000's)	1998 ($000's)
Warehouse rent	$ 97	$ 282

The Government of the Northwest Territories provides the Commission with various administrative services, the value of which is not reflected in these financial statements.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LIQUOR COMMISSION

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

Year ended March 31, 1999

6. Commitment:

The Commission has entered into a lease agreement for premises that commenced on September 1, 1995 for an initial term of five years to August 31, 2000. The Commission has an option to renew for one additional term. The minimum annual lease payments are:

		($000's)
March 31:		
2000	$	50
2001		21
	$	71

Annual lease payments include operating costs which are subject to annual increases based on the consumer price index and adjustments for tax assessments.

7. Financial instruments:

The fair value of the Commission's financial instruments approximates their carrying amounts due to their short-term nature.

8. Uncertainty due to the Year 2000 Issue:

The Year 2000 Issue arises because many computerized systems use two digits rather than four to identify a year. Date-sensitive systems may recognize the year 2000 as 1900 or some other date, resulting in errors when information using year 2000 dates is processed. In addition, similar problems may arise in some systems which use certain dates in 1999 to represent something other than a date. The effects of the Year 2000 Issue may be experienced before, on, or after January 1, 2000, and, if not addressed, the impact on operations and financial reporting may range from minor errors to significant systems failure which could affect the Commission's ability to conduct normal business operations. It is not possible to be certain that all aspects of the Year 2000 Issue affecting the Commission, including those related to the efforts of customers, suppliers, or other third parties, will be fully resolved.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LIQUOR COMMISSION

Notes to Financial Statements, continued

Year ended March 31, 1999

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9. Subsequent event:

On April 1, 1999, subsequent to the fiscal year end, the Nunavut Act came into force.

Division of assets and liabilities:

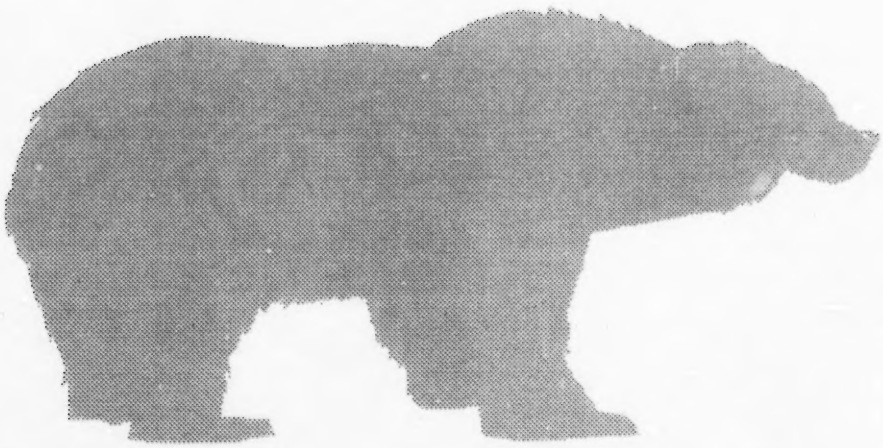
The creation of Nunavut requires the transfer of Government, and consequentially the Commission's, assets and liabilities. An agreement has been reached between the Government of the Northwest Territories and the Interim Commissioner for Nunavut regarding the division of assets and liabilities.

The approach set out in the agreement requires the Government, not the Commission, to apportion its accumulated surplus/deficit and allocate its assets and liabilities. The Commission's assets and liabilities will be allocated at the same time the Government allocates all its assets and liabilities.

Chargeback of services:

The Government has entered into a service agreement with the Nunavut Government. In this agreement the Government will provide various corporate and program delivery services to the Nunavut commission for fiscal year 1999-2000. The estimated charge for this service is approximately $90,000.

Financial Results and General Statistics



Message From General Manager

- Year in Review –

During the fiscal year ending March 31, 1999, the Northwest Territories Liquor Commission realized a net income of $16,041,000, an increase of $195,000 (1.2%) from the previous year's net income and $162,000 (1%) over the budgeted net income.

The overall volume of liquor sold decreased by 71,000 litres for the period ending March 31, 1999 from the previous year. Increased volume sales in the spirits and wine categories are attributed to consumer preference for the spirit and wine based coolers.

On April 1, 1995 a flat rate per litre mark-up system was introduced. The flat rate mark-up establishes and monitors similar revenue levels on similar types of liquor products sold.

The flat mark-up system, along with supplier price, freight, container deposits, GST, retail, warehousing and administrative costs, yields a price at which residents and licensees are able to purchase liquor in each community. The use of the flat mark-up will result in revenues from the sales of liquor products remaining constant while prices may vary from community to community.

The following mark-up rates were put into effect April 1, 1995:

Product	$ per litre
Spirits	21.35
Wine	6.35
Beer	1.58
Coolers	2.48
Ciders	1.62

Import Permits

An individual may personally bring into the Northwest Territories one 1140 ml bottle of spirits or wine or twelve – 355 ml of beer. To import quantities greater than the allowable amounts, an import permit is required. Fees for import permits are: Spirits $8.77 per litre; Beer $0.70 per litre; Wine $7.02 per litre; Coolers/Ciders $1.75 per litre. 302 import permits were issued in 1999 for $115,000, up from the 284 permits issued in 1998.

Retail & Warehousing

All retail liquor outlets continue to be operated by private sector contractors as well as liquor warehouses in Inuvik, Hay River and Yellowknife. The Liquor Commission continues to operate the Iqaluit liquor warehouse. Effective April 1, 1999, ownership of the Iqaluit Liquor Warehouse will be transferred to the Government of Nunavut. Under a contracting back service agreement between the Government of the Northwest Territories and the Government of Nunavut, the Liquor Commission will manage and operate the Nunavut Liquor Commission for the next fiscal year.

Contractors and expiry dates of each contract are as follows:

Agency	Contractor	Expiry Date
Hay River Liquor Warehouse	Hay River Liquor Retailers (1991) Ltd.	January 31,2004
Hay River Liquor Agency	Hay River Liquor Retailers (1991) Ltd.	March 31, 2007
Norman Wells Liquor Agency	Norman Wells Liquor Store Ltd.	September 30, 2003
Inuvik Liquor Warehouse	Stanton Holdings Ltd.	June 30, 2004
Inuvik Liquor Agency	Stanton Distributing Ltd.	September 30, 2004
Fort Smith Liquor Agency	Martselos Services Ltd.	November 30, 2001
Yellowknife Liquor Agency	913007 NWT Ltd.	August 31, 2001
Fort Simpson Liquor Agency	974173 NWT Ltd.	October 31, 2003
Yellowknife Liquor Warehouse	Hay River Liquor Retailers (1991) Ltd.	February 28, 2008

Resupply

The Liquor Commission uses all modes of transportation; by air, sealift and highways, to resupply liquor products to its liquor agencies and warehouses.

Approximately 70% of liquor sold in the Northwest Territories is readily supplied by the highway system with little or no interruptions caused by the freeze up or break up of river crossings. Due to the availability of ferry services or winter roads, Inuvik and Fort Simpson liquor facilities must warehouse greater amounts of liquor to last over freeze up and break up periods. The Iqaluit liquor warehouse is resupplied with spirits, wine and beer annually by sealift. Beer is also flown in from Montreal for 2-3 months prior to the arrival of the sealift because of the limited shelf life of beer products. Similarly, the Norman Wells liquor outlet is resupplied by barge annually with spirits, wine and beer. This outlet is again resupplied during the winter months by winter road.

Over the past years, the Liquor Commission has increased the number of different types of liquor products offered for sale while trying to maintain or decrease the value of its inventory levels. The Liquor Commission is presently increasing the number of times liquor products are ordered to reduce its inventory levels. The purchase of most imported products has been increased to twice annually. Currently the Liquor Commission is negotiating with suppliers to have liquor products supplied from Edmonton instead of supplier's locations. This will enable the Commission to purchase in smaller quantities and reduce the amount of money tied up in inventories.

Recycling

On January 1, 1991 the Liquor Commission initiated a deposit refund program for all spirits and wine containers, beer cans, imported beer bottles and cider & cooler bottles. Beer bottles from Molson and Labatt's breweries are not included in this program as the major breweries have their own deposit refund program in place on beer bottles sold in the Northwest Territories. In communities where the Liquor Commission has an outlet, liquor containers can be returned to designated bottle depots for a full deposit refund. The return rate on the NWT deposit program increased to 76.6% from 59% in 1997/98.

Consumers may also return their Labatt and Molson beer bottles to local bottle depots for refunds that are less than the bottle deposit applied by the two breweries. Approximately 90% of Labatt and Molson beer bottles sold in the N.W.T. are returned to Brewers Distributing in Edmonton through their deposit refund program.

Consolidated Operation / Excluding Liquor Licensing Board

Sales / Cost of Sales/ Gross Margin/ Inventory Turns

March 31, 1999
($000's)

	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Sales					
Consumers	11,143	2,378	8,083	21,604	20,769
Licensees	2,023	565	7,425	10,013	9,937
	13,166	2,943	15,508	31,617	30,706
Cost of Sales					
Beginning Inventory	1,402	496	970	2,868	2,566
Purchases	4,093	1,141	5,482	10,716	10,340
Freight	190	145	757	1,092	1,225
Ending Inventory	(1,595)	(510)	(811)	(2,916)	(2,868)
	4,090	1,272	6,398	11,760	11,263
Gross Profit	9,076	1,671	9,110	19,857	19,443
Other Income					
Import Permits				115	85
Bottle Deposit Program				(1)	188
Other				-	5
				114	278
Operating Expenses				3,930	3,875
Net Income				16,041	15,846
Sales ratios					
Category to Total Sales	41.6%	9.3%	49.1%		
Consumer Sales to					
Total Category	84.6%	80.8%	52.1%	68.3%	67.6%
Licensee Sales to					
Total Category	15.4%	19.2%	47.9%	31.7%	32.4%
Profitability ratios					
% Gross Profit to Sales	68.9%	56.8%	58.7%	62.8%	63.3%
% Net Income to Sales				50.7%	51.6%
Efficency ratio					
Inventory Turns	2.73	2.53	7.18	4.07	4.15

Five Year Performance History /Excluding Liquor Licensing Board

($000's)

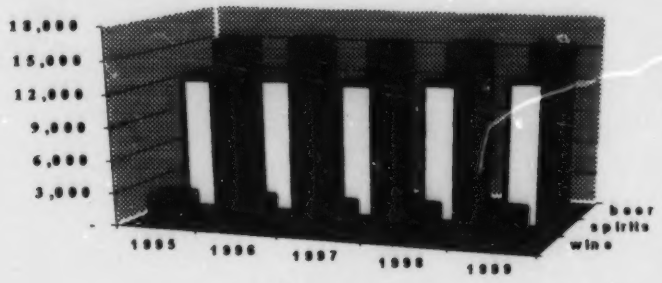
Year	Gross Sales	%Change In Sales	Net Income	Net Income as % of Sales	Operating Expenses
1995	29,729	1.3%	14,993	50.43%	3,698
1996	30,415	2.3%	15,757	51.81%	3,775
1997	30,048	1.3%	15,633	52.03%	3,687
1998	30,706	2.2%	15,846	51.61%	3,875
1999	31,617	3.0%	16,043	50.74%	3,930

Five Year Sales History

($000's)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Spirits	12,296	12,531	12,370	12,664	13,166
Wine	2,464	2,537	2,543	2,735	2,943
Beer	14,969	15,347	15,135	15,307	15,508
	29,729	30,415	30,048	30,706	31,617

In Litres (000's)	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Spirits	438	425	430	457	480
Wine	246	239	246	292	285
Beer	3,871	3,698	3,678	3,576	3,627
	4,555	4,362	4,354	4,325	4,392

In Dollars

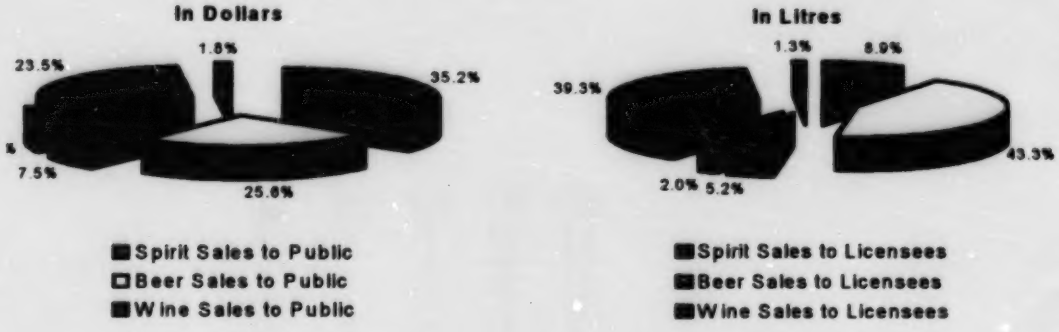


In Litres

wine spirits beer

Liquor Sales by Customer Type

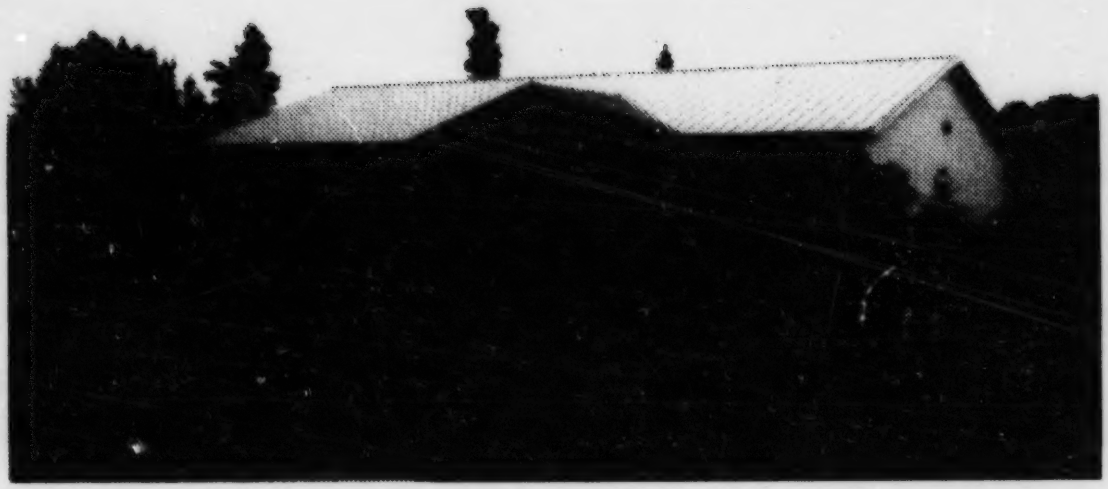
($000's)	1999	% of Total Sales
Spirit Sales to Public	11,143	35.2
Beer Sales to Public	8,083	25.6
Wine Sales to Public	2,378	7.5
Total Consumer Sales	21,604	68.3
Spirit Sales to Licensees	2,023	6.4
Beer Sales to Licensees	7,425	23.5
Wine Sales to Licensees	565	1.8
Total Licensee Sales	10,013	31.7
Total Sales	31,617	100.0



Litre Sales By Customer Type

(000's)	1999	% of Total Sales
Spirit Sales to Public	389	8.9
Beer Sales to Public	1,902	43.3
Wine Sales to Public	227	5.2
Total Consumer Sales	2,518	57.4
Spirit Sales to Licensees	90	2.0
Beer Sales to Licensees	1,726	39.3
Wine Sales to Licensees	58	1.3
Total Licensee Sales	1,874	42.6
Total Sales	4,392	100.0

Store Operations



Liquor Sold By Location

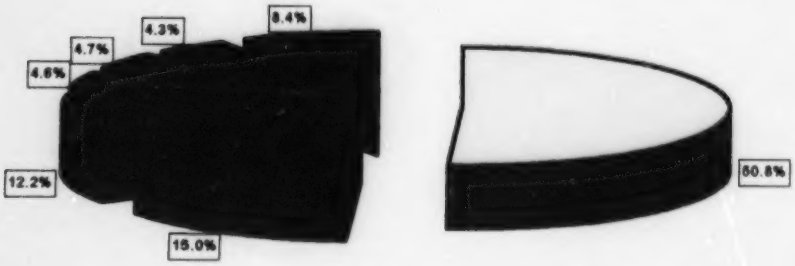
($000's)	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Yellowknife	6,752	1,890	7,398	16,040	15,785
Inuvik	2,423	307	2,020	4,750	4,449
Hay River	1,518	288	2,051	3,857	3,673
Norman Wells	687	70	687	1,444	1,354
Fort Smith	451	214	818	1,483	1,565
Fort Simpson	795	34	537	1,366	1,234
Iqaluit	534	133	1,995	2,662	2,629
* Other	4	8	3	15	17
Total 1999	13,164	2,944	15,509	31,617	
Total 1998	12,664	2,735	15,307		30,706
% Increase	3.9%	7.6%	1.3%	3.0%	

* This refers to sales made to remote areas through Head Office from other liquor jurisdictions.

Litres Sold By Location

(000's)	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Yellowknife	250	180	1,838	2,268	2,239
Inuvik	85	30	429	544	497
Hay River	59	32	497	588	594
Norman Wells	23	6	145	174	158
Fort Smith	18	22	191	231	245
Fort Simpson	26	4	112	142	137
Iqaluit	18	11	416	445	452
Other	1	2	1	4	3
Total 1999	480	287	3,629	4,396	
Total 1998	457	292	3,576		4,325
% Increase	5.0%	-1.7%	1.5%	1.6%	

Sales in Dollars By Location



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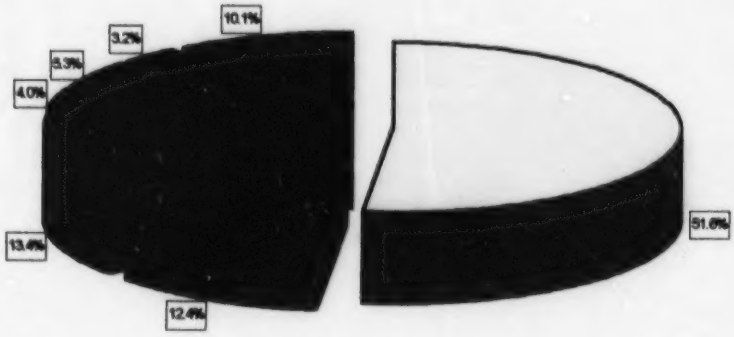


☐ Yellowknife ■ Inuvik ■ Hay River

■ Norman Wells ■ Fort Smith ■ Fort Simpson

■ Iqaluit

Sales to Licensees

($000's)	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Yellowknife	1,028	353	2,812	4,193	4,163
Inuvik	229	47	963	1,239	1,255
Hay River	204	31	883	1,118	1,049
Norman Wells	95	14	255	364	349
Fort Smith	93	11	376	480	485
Fort Simpson	50	4	235	289	262
Iqaluit	319	104	1,898	2,321	2,357
Other	4	3	3	10	17
Total 1999	2,022	567	7,425	10,014	
Total 1998	1,993	492	7,452		9,937
% Increase	1.5%	15.2%	-0.4%	0.8%	

Sales to Consumers

($000's)	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Yellowknife	5,724	1,537	4,586	11,847	11,622
Inuvik	2,194	260	1,057	3,511	3,194
Hay River	1,314	257	1,168	2,739	2,624
Norman Wells	592	56	432	1,080	1,005
Fort Smith	358	203	442	1,003	1,080
Fort Simpson	745	30	302	1,077	972
Iqaluit	215	29	97	341	272
Other	-	5	-	5	-
Total 1999	11,142	2,377	8,084	21,603	
Total 1998	10,671	2,243	7,855		20,769
% Increase	4.4%	6.0%	2.9%	4.0%	

Sales to Licensees

In litres (000's)	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Yellowknife	44	35	709	788	834
Inuvik	10	5	202	217	221
Hay River	9	4	211	224	211
Norman Wells	3	1	53	57	54
Fort Smith	4	1	87	92	96
Fort Simpson	2	1	48	51	52
Iqaluit	11	9	396	416	428
Other	1	1	1	3	3
Total 1999	84	57	1,707	1,848	
Total 1998	78	53	1,768		1,899
% Increase	7.7%	7.5%	-3.5%	-2.7%	

Sales to Consumers

In litres (000's)	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Yellowknife	206	145	1,129	1,480	1,405
Inuvik	75	25	227	327	276
Hay River	50	28	286	364	383
Norman Wells	20	5	92	117	104
Fort Smith	14	21	104	139	149
Fort Simpson	24	3	64	91	85
Iqaluit	7	2	20	29	24
Other	-	1	-	1	-
Total 1999	396	230	1,922	2,548	
Total 1998	379	239	1,808		2,426
% Increase	4.5%	-3.8%	6.3%	5.0%	

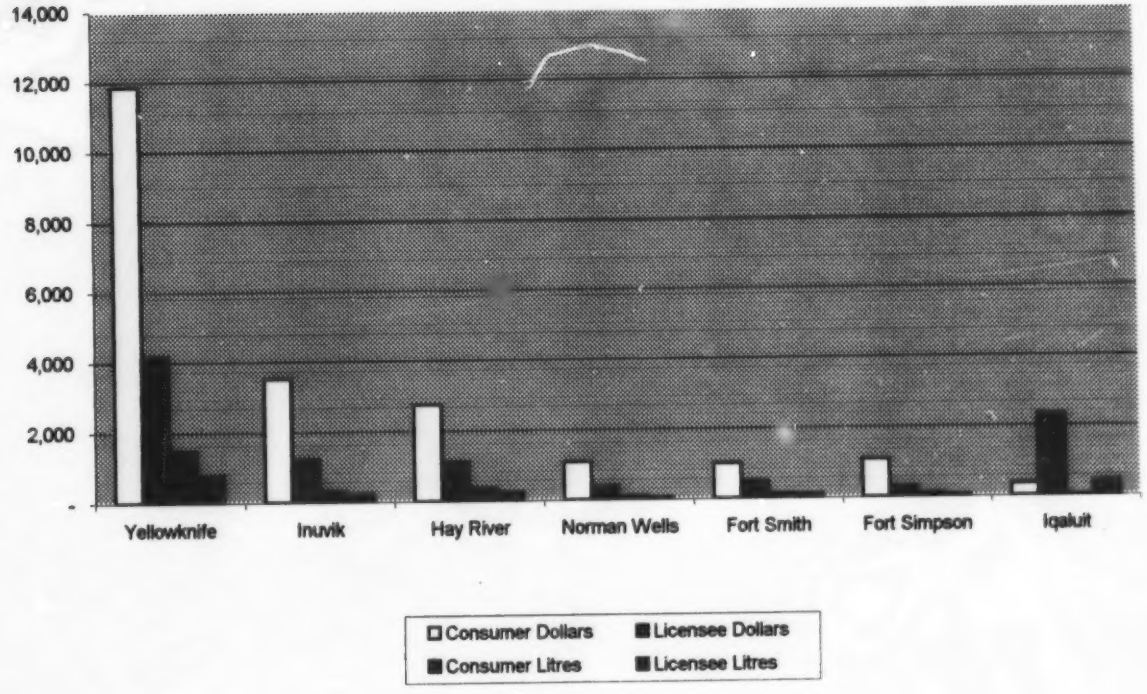
Sales By Customer Type

($000's)	Consumer	Licensee	1999
Yellowknife	1,847	4,193	16,040
Inuvik	3,511	1,239	4,750
Hay River	2,739	1,118	3,857
Norman Wells	1,080	364	1,444
Fort Smith	1,003	480	1,483
Fort Simpson	1,077	289	1,366
Iqaluit	341	2,321	2,662
Other	5	10	15
Total 1999	21,603	10,014	31,617
Total 1998	20,769	9,937	30,706

In litres (000's)	Consumer	Licensee	1999
Yellowknife	1,480	788	2,268
Inuvik	327	217	544
Hay River	364	224	588
Norman Wells	117	57	174
Fort Smith	139	92	231
Fort Simpson	91	51	142
Iqaluit	29	416	445
Other	1	3	4
Total 1999	2,548	1,848	4,396
Total 1998	2,426	1,899	4,325

Sales By Customer Type

In Dollars & Litres



Northwest Territories Liquor Commission

Yellowknife Operations

Sales/Cost of Sales/Gross Margin/Inventory Turns

March 31, 1999
($000's)

	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Sales					
Consumers	5,724	1,537	4,586	11,847	11,622
Licensees	1,028	353	2,812	4,193	4,163
	6,752	1,890	7,398	16,040	15,785
Cost of Sales					
Beginning Inventory	561	287	252	1,100	1,052
Purchases	2,296	758	2,911	5,965	5,442
Freight	77	77	230	384	399
Ending Inventory	(868)	(295)	(337)	(1,500)	(1,100)
	2,066	827	3,056	5,949	5,793
Gross Profit	4,686	1,063	4,342	10,091	9,992
Operating Expenses					
Warehouse				505	458
Retail				1,000	980
				1,505	1,438
Net Income				8,586	8,554
Sales ratios					
Category to Total Sales	42.1%	11.8%	46.1%		
Consumer Sales to Total Category	84.8%	81.3%	62.0%	73.9%	73.6%
Licensee Sales to Total Category	15.2%	18.7%	38.0%	26.1%	26.4%
Profitability ratios					
% Gross Profit to Sales	69.4%	56.2%	58.7%	62.9%	63.3%
% Net Income to Sales				53.5%	54.2%
Efficency ratio					
Inventory Turns	2.89	2.84	10.38	4.58	5.38

Inuvik Operations

Sale/ Cost of Sales/ Gross Margin/ Inventory Turns

March 31, 1999
($000's)

	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Sales					
Consumers	2,194	260	1,057	3,511	3,194
Licensees	229	47	963	1,239	1,255
	2,423	307	2,020	4,750	4,449
Cost of Sales					
Beginning Inventory	256	51	201	508	438
Purchases	692	123	665	1,480	1,397
Freight	47	23	154	224	228
Ending Inventory	(213)	(62)	(183)	(458)	(508)
	782	135	837	1,754	1,555
Gross Profit	1,641	172	1,183	2,996	2,894
Operating Expenses					
Warehouse				205	203
Retail				266	270
				471	473
Net Income				2,525	2,421
Sales ratios					
Category to Total Sales	51.0%	6.5%	42.5%		
Consumer Sales to Total Category	90.5%	84.7%	52.3%	73.9%	71.8%
Licensee Sales to Total Category	9.5%	15.3%	47.7%	26.1%	28.2%
Profitability ratios					
% Gross Profit to Sales	67.7%	56.0%	58.6%	63.1%	65.0%
% Net Income to Sales				53.2%	54.4%
Efficency ratio					
Inventory Turns	3.33	2.39	4.36	3.63	3.29

Hay River Operations

Sales/ Cost of Sales/ Gross Margin/ Inventory Turns

March 31, 1999
($000's)

	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Sales					
Consumers	1,314	257	1,168	2,739	2,624
Licensees	204	31	883	1,118	1,049
	1,518	288	2,051	3,857	3,673
Cost of Sales					
Beginning Inventory	248	66	106	420	412
Purchases	445	124	741	1,310	1,245
Freight	19	17	54	90	81
Ending Inventory	(226)	(81)	(87)	(394)	(420)
	486	126	814	1,426	1,318
Gross Profit	1,032	162	1,237	2,431	2,355
Operating Expenses					
Warehouse				188	189
Retail				223	219
				411	408
Net Income				2,020	1,947
Sales ratios					
Category to Total Sales	39.4%	7.5%	53.2%		
Consumer Sales to Total Category	86.6%	89.2%	56.9%	71.0%	71.4%
Licensee Sales to Total Category	13.4%	10.8%	43.1%	29.0%	28.6%
Profitability ratios					
% Gross Profit to Sales	68.0%	56.3%	60.3%	63.0%	64.1%
% Net Income to Sales				52.4%	53.0%
Efficency ratio					
Inventory Turns	2.05	1.71	8.44	3.50	3.17

Norman Wells Operations

Sales/ Cost of Sales/ Gross Margin/ Inventory Turns

March 31, 1999
($000's)

	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Sales					
Consumers	592	56	432	1,080	1,005
Licensees	95	14	255	364	349
	687	70	687	1,444	1,354
Cost of Sales					
Beginning Inventory	141	32	54	227	200
Purchases	175	20	228	423	440
Freight	12	4	47	63	64
Ending Inventory	(121)	(26)	(62)	(209)	(227)
	207	30	267	504	477
Gross Profit	480	40	420	940	877
Operating Expenses				175	170
Net Income				765	707
Sales Ratios					
Category to Total Sales	47.6%	4.8%	47.6%		
Consumer Sales to Total Category	86.2%	80.0%	62.9%	74.8%	74.2%
Licensee Sales to Total Category	13.8%	20.0%	37.1%	25.2%	25.8%
Profitability Ratios					
% Gross Profit to Sales	69.9%	57.1%	61.1%	65.1%	64.8%
% Net Income to Sales				53.0%	52.2%
Efficency Ratio					
Inventory Turns	1.58	1.03	4.60	2.31	2.23

Fort Smith Operations

Sales/ Cost of Sales/ Gross Margin/ Inventory Turns

March 31, 1999
($000's)

	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Sales					
Consumers	358	203	442	1,003	1,080
Licensees	93	11	376	480	485
	451	214	818	1,483	1,565
Cost of Sales					
Beginning Inventory	53	27	45	125	102
Purchases	125	63	290	478	538
Freight	6	5	31	42	47
Ending Inventory	(45)	(26)	(34)	(105)	(125)
	139	69	332	540	562
Gross Profit	312	145	486	943	1,003
Operating Expenses				150	160
Net Income				793	843
Sales ratios					
Category to Total Sales	30.4%	14.4%	55.2%		
Consumer Sales to Total Category	79.4%	94.9%	54.0%	67.6%	69.0%
Licensee Sales to Total Category	20.6%	5.1%	46.0%	32.4%	31.0%
Profitability ratios					
% Gross Profit to Sales	69.2%	67.8%	59.4%	63.6%	64.1%
% Net Income to Sales				53.5%	53.9%
Efficency ratio					
Inventory Turns	2.84	2.60	8.41	4.70	4.95

Fort Simpson Operations

Sales/ Cost of Sales/ Gross Margin/ Inventory Turns

March 31, 1999
($000's)

	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Sales					
Consumers	745	30	302	1,077	972
Licensees	50	4	235	289	262
	795	34	537	1,366	1,234
Cost of Sales					
Beginning Inventory	64	8	16	88	64
Purchases	196	12	167	375	396
Freight	6	2	17	25	25
Ending Inventory	(37)	(10)	(11)	(58)	(88)
	229	12	189	430	397
Gross Profit	566	22	348	936	837
Operating Expenses				164	158
Net Income				772	679
Sales ratios					
Category to Total Sales	58.2%	2.5%	39.3%		
Consumer Sales to Total Category	93.7%	88.2%	56.2%	78.8%	78.8%
Licensee Sales to Total Category	6.3%	11.8%	43.8%	21.2%	21.2%
Profitability ratios					
% Gross Profit to Sales	71.2%	64.7%	64.8%	68.5%	67.8%
% Net Income to Sales				56.5%	55.0%
Efficency ratio					
Inventory Turns	4.53	1.33	14.00	5.89	5.22

Iqaluit Operations

Sales/ Cost of Sales/ Gross Margin/ Inventory Turns

March 31, 1999
($000's)

	Spirits	Wine	Beer	1999	1998
Sales					
Consumers	215	29	97	341	272
Licensees	319	104	1,898	2,321	2,357
	534	133	1,995	2,662	2,629
Cost of Sales					
Beginning Inventory	79	25	296	400	296
Purchases	157	35	480	672	874
Freight	22	17	224	263	382
Ending Inventory	(82)	(13)	(97)	(192)	(400)
	176	64	903	1,143	1,152
Gross Profit	358	69	1,092	1,519	1,477
Operating Expenses				292	269
Net Income				1,227	1,208
Sales ratios					
Category to Total Sales	20.1%	5.0%	74.9%		
Consumer Sales to Total Category	40.3%	21.8%	4.9%	12.8%	10.3%
Licensee Sales to Total Category	59.7%	78.2%	95.1%	87.2%	89.7%
Profitability ratios					
% Gross Profit to Sales	67.0%	51.9%	54.7%	57.1%	56.2%
% Net Income to Sales				46.1%	45.9%
Efficency ratio					
Inventory Turns	2.19	3.37	4.60	3.86	3.31

Recycling Program

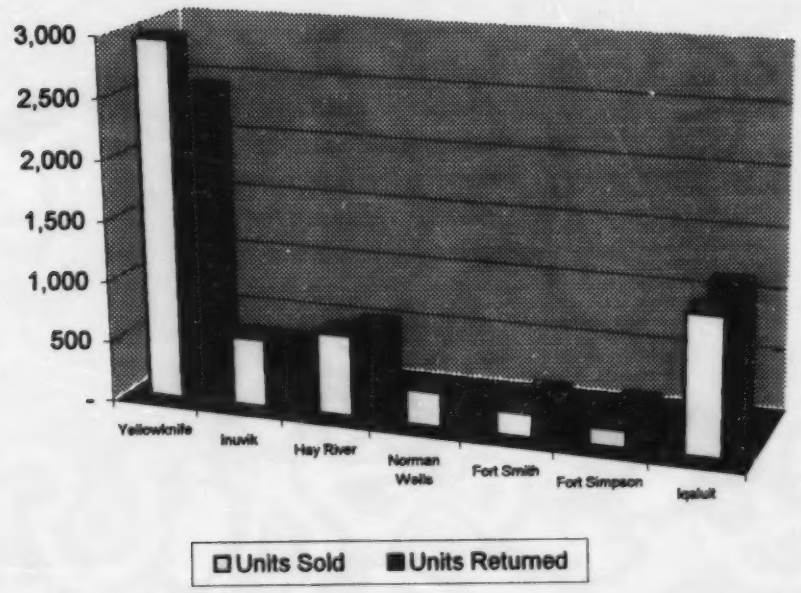
Bottle Depot Operations

Sales/Cost of Sales/Gross Margin/Inventory Turns

March 31, 1999

	1999 ($000's)	1998 ($000's)
Income		
Deposits collected on sales	711	773
Reduction in allowance for outstanding deposits	(1)	(18)
Total income	710	755
Expenditures		
Deposits reimbursed to agents on returns	549	459
Commissions paid to agents on returns	91	77
Amortization of recycling equipment	14	14
Accrued Liability to Agents	-	17
Total Expenditures	654	567
Surplus	56	188

Deposit Units Sold & Returned



Deposit Units Sold by Location

(000's)	Spirits	Wine	Beer & Coolers	1999	1998
Yellowknife	275	156	2,534	2,965	3,447
Inuvik	92	22	458	572	498
Hay River	70	24	584	678	757
Norman Wells	22	5	266	293	310
Fort Smith	18	22	161	201	217
Fort Simpson	33	2	117	152	141
Iqaluit	18	11	1,105	1,134	1,158
Total 1999	528	242	5,225	5,995	
Total 1998	523	260	5,747		6,530
% change	1.0%	-6.9%	-9.1%	-8.2%	

Deposit Units Returned by Location

(000's)	Spirits	Wine	Beer & Coolers	1999	1998
Yellowknife	241	172	2,002	2,415	1,890
Inuvik	33	15	253	301	280
Hay River	43	19	455	517	411
Norman Wells	1	1	18	20	114
Fort Smith	8	14	73	95	101
Fort Simpson	31	-	58	89	67
Iqaluit	14	14	1,110	1,138	963
Total 1999	371	235	3,969	4,575	
Total 1998	338	169	3,319		3,826
% change	9.8%	39.1%	19.6%	19.6%	

Deposits Collected on Sales

($000's)	Spirits	Wine	Beer & Coolers	1999	1998
Yellowknife	69	39	253	361	409
Inuvik	23	5	46	74	67
Hay River	17	6	58	81	94
Norman Wells	5	1	27	33	35
Fort Smith	4	5	16	25	29
Fort Simpson	8	-	12	20	19
Iqaluit	4	3	110	117	120
Total 1999	130	59	522	711	
Total 1998	130	65	578		773
% change	-	-9.2%	-9.7%	-8.0%	

Deposits Paid to Agents on Returns

($000's)	Spirits	Wine	Beer & Coolers	1999	1998
Yellowknife	60	43	200	303	237
Inuvik	8	4	25	37	36
Hay River	11	5	45	61	49
Norman Wells	-	-	2	2	13
Fort Smith	2	4	7	13	15
Fort Simpson	8	-	6	14	10
Iqaluit	4	4	111	119	99
Total 1999	93	60	396	549	
Total 1998	85	42	332		459
% change	9.4%	42.9%	19.3%	19.6%	

Depot Fees Paid to Operators

($000's)	Spirits	Wine	Beer & Coolers	1999	1998
Yellowknife	5	3	40	48	37
Inuvik	1	-	5	6	6
Hay River	1	-	9	10	8
Norman Wells	-	-	1	1	2
Fort Smith	-	-	2	2	1
Fort Simpson	1	-	1	2	1
Iqaluit	-	-	22	22	19
Total 1999	8	3	80	91	
Total 1998	6	2	66		74
% change	33.3%	50.0%	21.2%	23.0%	

Ratio of Returns to Sales

(%)	Spirits	Wine	Beer & Coolers	1999	1998
Yellowknife	87.6	110.3	79.0	81.5	54.8
Inuvik	35.9	68.2	55.2	52.6	56.3
Hay River	61.4	79.2	77.9	76.3	54.1
Norman Wells	4.5	20.0	6.8	6.8	36.7
Fort Smith	44.4	63.6	45.3	47.3	46.6
Fort Simpson	93.9	0.0	49.6	58.6	48.0
Iqaluit	77.8	127.3	100.5	100.4	83.2
Total 1999	70.3	97.1	76.0	76.3	
Total 1998	64.6	65.0	57.8		58.6
% change	5.7	32.1	18.2	18.0	

Northwest Territories Liquor Licensing Board

Financial Results and General Statistics

Statement of Operations

March 31, 1999

	1999 ($000's)	1998 ($000's)
Income		
Licensing Fees	484	506
Special Occasion Licenses	76	70
Annual License Fees	45	42
Other	1	5
Total income	606	623
Operating Expenses		
Salaries	207	103
Honoraria	25	20
Travel	78	44
Inspections Contracts	40	39
Advertising	6	6
Office Rent & Supplies	78	42
Total Expenditures	434	254
Net Income	172	369

Five Year Performance History

Year	Gross Revenue ($000's)	% Change In Revenue	Net Income ($000's)	% Change Net Income	Operating Expenses ($000's)
1995	574	8.3%	43	-66.4%	531
1996	623	8.5%	148	244.2%	475
1997	619	-0.6%	122	-17.6%	497
1998	623	0.6%	369	202.5%	254
1999	606	-2.7%	172	-53.4%	434

MANDATE

The Northwest Territories Liquor Act became law in 1970. Board Members are appointed, for a two-year term, by the Minister of Finance to uphold the Liquor Act, to make policy and to deal with issues relating to liquor licensing. The Board also serves in an administrative tribunal capacity and holds hearings into alleged violations of the legislation by the licensees. The Board may hold public hearings where objections regarding a liquor application are received.

The legal mandate of the Board is to control the conduct of license holders, the management and equipment of licensed premises, and the conditions under which liquor may be sold or consumed on licensed premises.

BOARD MEMBERS (as of MARCH 31, 1999)

Chairperson:	Eric Malmsten	Yellowknife
Members:	Ms. Elizabeth Danielsen	Norman Wells
	Mr. Gordon Rennie	Iqaluit
	Mr. John Simpson	Yellowknife
	Mr. Pete Fraser	Ft. Resolution

The administrative office for the Liquor Licensing Board is located in Hay River. It deals with the day-to-day administrative functions for licensing and enforcement, and community options.

BOARD MEETINGS

The Board holds meetings approximately once per month. During the 1998/99 fiscal year, the Board held thirteen meetings, seven of which were held through teleconferencing. Three meetings were held in Yellowknife, with one in Hay River, Inuvik and Iqaluit. Unless the Board deems otherwise, all meetings, including disciplinary hearings, are open to the public.

LICENSES GRANTED

In 1998/99, the Board granted new licenses for six Dining Rooms, one Guest Room and one Private Recreational Facility. Three transfer applications were approved for one Dining Room, one Cocktail Lounge and one Aircraft.

CLASS OF LICENCES

A premise may hold a liquor license that would fall under a specific class as described by the Liquor Act. There are 165 liquor licenses in the Northwest Territories; the classes in the unrestricted/restricted communities follow. The table also shows the number of liquor inspections carried out in the community during 1998-1999.

Community	Class	Inspections per Community
Alert	1 Canteen	
Eureka	1 Canteen	
Fort Providence	3 Cocktail Lounge 2 Dining Room 3 Off Premises	8 Inspector 210 RCMP
Fort Smith	4 Cocktail Lounge 3 Dining Room 2 Club Room 2 Off Premises	142 Inspector 335 RCMP
Hay River	6 Cocktail Lounge 8 Dining Room 4 Club Room 2 Canteens	188 Inspector 270 RCMP
Inuvik	7 Cocktail Lounge 8 Dining Room 2 Club Room 2 Canteens 2 Off Premise	189 Inspector 457 RCMP
Yellowknife	22 Cocktail Lounge 25 Dining Room 4 Club Room 3 Canteens 1 Cultural & Sports 4 Private Recreational 1 Off Premise 2 Ships	548 Inspector 1950 RCMP
Fort Simpson	2 Cocktail Lounge 3 Dining Room 1 Off Premise	74 Inspector 410 RCMP
Iqaluit	2 Cocktail Lounge 5 Dining Room 2 Club Room 1 Canteen 1 Private Recreational	342 Inspector 385 RCMP
Norman Wells	3 Cocktail Lounge 3 Dining Room 2 Club Room	128 Inspector 200 RCMP
Rankin Inlet	2 Guest Room	50 RCMP

There is also a special license at Polaris Mine, two aircraft licenses and eleven Guest Room/Lodges located in various locations across the NWT.

INSPECTION of LICENSED PREMISES

There are eleven Inspectors located in various communities throughout the Northwest Territories. The Inspectors are hired on a contract basis to do inspections of licensed premises. There are two Inspectors in Yellowknife and one Inspector in each of the following communities; Fort Simpson, Fort Smith, Iqaluit, Inuvik and Hay River. High-risk premises (those most likely to offend) are inspected more frequently than other premises such as Dining Rooms, which are considered to be low risk. Through education, the Inspection Program strives for voluntary compliance of licensed premises. A Server Training Course was delivered to 15 premises across the NWT.

The RCMP conduct a Walkthrough Program. Police officers inspect licensed premises on a regular basis. Although the RCMP make their presence known in all licensed premises in the NWT, not all of their walkthroughs are reported. Infractions are reported to Liquor Licensing Board Office in Hay River. The licensee may be taken to a hearing to show cause as to why his/her license should not be suspended or canceled should the RCMP or the Inspector report infractions.

SHOW CAUSE HEARINGS/ BOARD DECISIONS

Hearing No.1.	Establishment:	Dynasty Lounge - Hay River
	Allegation:	selling illegal purchased liquor
	Board Decision:	fined $1000.00
Hearing No.2.	Establishment:	Blue Moon Bistro - Inuvik
	Allegation:	refused entry to Inspector
	Board Decision:	license suspended for seven days
Hearing No.3.	Establishment:	Royal Canadian Legion - Iqaluit
	Allegation:	allowing intoxicated person to remain on the premises
	Board Decision:	license suspended for seven days and ordered to take the Server Training Course
Hearing No.4.	Establishment:	Tulagag - Iqaluit
	Allegation:	allowing intoxicated person to remain on the premises
	Board Decision:	license suspended for seven days and ordered to take the Server Training Course
Hearing No.5.	Establishment:	Ravens Pub - Yellowknife
	Allegation:	license holder not the true owner of the business
	Board Decision:	license cancelled

LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE LIQUOR ACT

Amendments were made to the Liquor Act through the Regulatory Reform initiative in 1998-1999. The amendments include:

- clarifying the power of the Liquor Licensing Board to set out terms and conditions in licenses;
- exempting the Board from the requirement to hold a public hearing in connection with a proceeding to cancel a license if requested by the license holder
- clarifying that a community which has a system of liquor restrictions may with out first becoming an unregulated area vote on removing some of those restrictions or on substituting another system
- establishing a 15 day minimum notice period for a request for a special prohibition order
- authorizing the liquor inspector or license holder to request proof of age of a patron
- limiting the exemption respecting the supply of beer or wine to a person under the age of 19 years
- enabling regulations to be made establishing a class or subclass of license authorizing the license holder to allow persons under the age of 19 years to enter and remain in the licensed premises.

COMMUNITY STATUS

The liquor status in communities in the NWT are either:

- unrestricted – there are no restrictions beyond those that are described in the Liquor Act and Regulations.
- restricted – in quantity, frequency, point of sale, and hours of sale and/or requiring prior approval by the Community Alcohol Education Committee.
- prohibited – alcohol is prohibited

Unrestricted Communities (those with licensed premises not included)

Aklavik	Fort Resolution	Paulatuk
Baker Lake	Grise Fiord	Sachs Harbour
Bathurst Inlet	Holman	Taloyoak
Umingmaktok	Jean Marie River	Trout Lake
Chesterfield Inlet	Nanisivik	Tuktoyaktuk
Colville Lake	Tulita	Kugluktuk
Wrigley	Enterprise	Fort McPherson

Restricted Communities

Detah	Arctic Bay	Broughton Island
Cambridge Bay	Cape Dorset	Clyde River
Deline	Fort Good Hope	Fort Liard
Fort Simpson *	Hall Beach	Igloolik
Iqaluit	Norman Wells*	Pond Inlet
Rae/Edzo	Rankin Inlet*	Repulse Bay
Resolute		

* Two guest rooms are located in Rankin Inlet; the restriction is that only bonafide guests who are registered in the guest room are permitted on the licensed premise. Fort Simpson and Norman Wells are restricted communities. The restriction is the amount of alcohol that an individual can buy per day at the Liquor Store.

Prohibited Communities

Arviat	Nahanni Butte	Snare Lakes
Coral Harbour	Pangnirtung	Tsiigehtchic
Gjoa Haven	Pelly Bay	Wha Ti
Kimmirut	Rae Lakes	Whale Cove
Lutsel K'e	Sanikiluaq	

SPECIAL OCCASION PERMITS

There are two classes of Special Occasion Permits. A resale permit allows a non-commercial organization, a recognized group and holders of a private recreational facility to take out a liquor license. A private individual may take out an ordinary permit that allows that person to serve alcohol in a public setting. Permits are issued in several communities across the NWT. Privately owned companies and Hamlets provide this service through contract with the Department of Finance. For the fiscal year 1998/99 a total of 851 permits were issued while 817 were issued in 1997/98.

Special Occasion Permits are available from Issuers in the following communities:

Hay River	Liquor Licensing Board Office
Yellowknife	Yellowknife Liquor Store
Fort Simpson	Financial Management Board Office
Fort Smith	Mageean & Associates
Inuvik	Inuvik Liquor Store
Iqaluit	Iqaluit Liquor Warehouse
Norman Wells	Norman Wells Liquor Store
Kugluktuk	Hamlet Office
Rankin Inlet	Piruqsaijit Ltd.
Holman Island	Hamlet Office
Cambridge Bay	Hamlet Office
Fort Liard	Hamlet Office

Communities that are not prohibited and do not have a local Issuer may apply to the Issuer that is closest to their home community or call the Hay River office for assistance.

COMMUNITY OPTIONS

Where a special occasion is to occur in a municipality, settlement or area and the council of the municipality, settlement or band wishes to have the consumption, possession, purchase, sale, or transport of liquor prohibited, they may request to the Minister to declare the area prohibited. The Minister may declare the area prohibited for a period of not more than 10 days.

The following communities requested and were granted Special Prohibition Orders during the 1998/99 fiscal year:

Sachs Harbour	White Fox Jamboree	April 30 – May 3, 1998
Yellowknife	Dene National Assembly	June 15 – 19, 1998
Fort Good Hope	Wood Block Music Festival	July 23 - 27, 1998
Fort Providence	Deh Cho First Nations Special Assembly	October 5 – 9, 1998
Fort Good Hope	National Addictions Awareness Week	November 15–21, 1998
Rae Edzo	National Addictions Awareness Week	November 14–23, 1998
Grise Fiord	Alcohol Free Christmas Celebration	Dec. 23 – Jan. 1, 1999
Chesterfield Inlet	Christmas Holidays Celebrations	December 18 – 27, 1998
Deline	Self-Healing Workshop	March 3 – 8, 1999
Cape Dorset	Nunavut Day	March 26 – April 3, 1999